

- (d) steering mechanism
- (e) windshield wiper
- (f) directional signals.

The inspection requirements herein provided for shall not exceed the standards provided in the current General Statutes for such equipment.

G. S. 20-183.4. Safety Equipment Inspection Stations. Every person, firm or agency with employees meeting the following qualifications shall, upon application, be issued a license designating the person, firm or agency as a Safety Equipment Inspection Station:

- (a) Be of good character and have a good reputation for honesty.
- (b) Have adequate knowledge of the equipment requirements of the Motor Vehicle Laws of North Carolina.
- (c) Be able to satisfactorily conduct the mechanical inspection required by this Act.
- (d) Have adequate facilities as to space and equipment in order to check each of the items of safety equipment listed herein.
- (e) Have a general knowledge of motor vehicles sufficient to recognize a mechanical condition which is not safe.

Any person, firm or agency meeting the above requirements and desiring to be licensed as a Motor Vehicle Inspection Station may apply to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles on forms provided by the Commissioner. The Commissioner shall cause an investigation to be made as to the applicant's qualifications, and if in the opinion of the Commissioner, the applicant fulfills such qualifications, he shall issue a Certificate of Appointment to such person, firm or agency as a Safety Equipment Inspection Station. Such appointment shall be issued without charge and shall be effective until cancelled by request of the inspection station or until suspended or revoked for cause following a hearing by the Commissioner. Any applicant who is refused a license, or any inspection station whose license has been suspended or revoked, may file a petition in the Superior Court of Wake County or in the Superior Court in his county of residence for a review of the action of the Commissioner. When such a petition is filed in the Superior Court twenty days' notice shall be given to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. The Court may then hear evidence from the applicant and the Commissioner concerning the qualifications of the applicant, and the Court may make such findings as the evidence shall warrant, and if found qualified shall order that the action of the Commissioner refusing, suspending or revoking the license be rescinded.

The Commissioner may designate the State or any political subdivision thereof or any person, firm or corporation as self inspectors for the sole purpose of inspecting vehicles owned or operated by such agencies, persons, firms, or corporations so designated.

G. S. 20-183.5. Supervision of Safety Equipment Inspection Stations. When a person, firm or agency is designated as a Safety Equipment Inspection Station the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall record such appointment and shall cause periodic checks to be made to determine that inspections are being conducted in accordance with this Act, and shall